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Office of the Director

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Director of Training
and Education

Dear Stan:

The enclosed memo floated across my desk this morning concerning the abrupt cancellation of a rescheduled OT&E workshop. I think [redacted] points are well taken and hope that in future cases like this perhaps enough lead time can be arranged so that the offices concerned can stump up enough students to make the course viable.

Best regards,

Acting Director

Enclosure

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16 September 1986

STAT MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] SA/CD
THROUGH: Chief, Headquarters Engineering Division/ESG
STAT FROM: [REDACTED]
Chief, Training Branch/HED
SUBJECT: ISD Workshop Cancellation

STAT 1. At 0900 on 15 September 1986, I went to the Chamber of Commerce building to attend OT&E's Instructional System Design Workshop, scheduled to run 15-19 September. At 0930 Instructor [REDACTED] informed the seven of us attending the course that the class would have to be cancelled again because we needed an eighth person to make the running of the workshop "cost effective." Nist added that he had previously conducted the course with only seven attendees and had subsequently been "called on the carpet" because there had not been the sufficient "eight person quota."

2. I was first scheduled to take this same course in June 1986 when it was also cancelled at 1630 on the preceding Friday due to "lack of interest." I was not informed by OT&E of the September running of the class until 11 September which meant I had no time to rearrange my calendar for the week of 15-19 September. It was disconcerting to then be told that the class was cancelled.

3. In my view it is more "cost effective" to instruct seven people on material they are interested in learning rather than sending people away without learning anything, and having subsequently disrupted their normal schedules.

4. I recommend that FBIS lodge a protest to OT&E regarding the handling of this matter.

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